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	Note attached communication from Examiner.
	This notice is issued in view of
	applicant's communication filed

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2. All the claims	being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included
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3. X The allowed c	aims are 11 To 22
4. The drawings	
	ent is made of the claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119. The certified copy has [_] been received. [_] not been
	een filed in parent application Serial No, filed on
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PART II.	
FROM THE "DATE	UTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE to comply with the requirements noted below is set to EXPIRE THREE MONTHS (AILED" indicated on this form. Failure to timely comply will result in the ABANDONMENT of this application. The be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).
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- 1. Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:
- I. Claims 1 to 10, drawn to adhesive notes and an assembly thereof, classified in Class 281, subclass 1.
- II. Claims 11 to 22, drawn to a note sheet dispenser and sheets therein, classified in Class 221, supclass 33.
- 2. Inventions II and I are related as combination and subcombination.

Inventions in this relationship are distinct if it can be shown that (1) the combination as claimed does not require the particulars of the subcombination as claimed for patentability, and (2) that the subcombination has utility by itself or in a materially different combination. MPEP 806.05(c).

In this case, the combination as claimed does not require the particulars of the subcombination for patentability because Claims 11 and 18 are evidence claims which show the combination does not rely on the specifies of the sub-combination for patentability, see M. E.P. 806.05 (c). Additionally, the subcombination has separate utility such as an assemblange adhesive notes.

3. During a telephone conversation with William Hubsch on January 1, 1988 a provisional election was made with traverse to prosecute the invention of group II claims 11 to 22. Claims 1 to 10 were thus withdrawn from consideration by the examiner for examination purposes. The examiner later telephoned Mr. Huebsch to reduest cancelation of claim 1 to 10 as claims 11 to 22 were allowable over the prior art. Mr. Huebsch agreed

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to cancelation of claims 1 to 10 reserving the right to file a divisional application directed to those cancelled claims.

- 4. Applicant is reminded that upon the cancellation of claims to a non-elected invention, the inventorship must be amended in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(b) if one or more of the currently named inventors is no longer an inventor of at least one claim remaining in the application. Any amendment of inventorship must be accompanied by a diligently-filed petition under 37 CFR 1.48(b) and by the fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(h).
- 5. An Examiner's Amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee.

Claims 1 to 10 have been cancelled.

In claim 16 line 1 "said" has been deleted.

These changes cancel non-elected claims and correct a minor error to place to case in condition for allowance.

- 6. Authorization for this Examiner's Amendment was given in a telephone interview with William Huebsch on January 26, 1988.
- 7. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Wilson, Mertens, Loder, and Smith show similar dispensers and article attachment. Rabner and Snow are cited of interest. Boudet shows similar transparent sheets. Emmel shows the major portion of a sheet with adhesive.

8. The following is an Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance: The primary reasons for

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allowance of claims 11 to 22 are the provisions for the reans affording relative movement between the top wall lot and the uppermost sheet from a first initial position to a second final position wherein the successive heet end projects thru the slot. These limitations are found in the claims and not in the prior art.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the Issue Fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance".

9. Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to G. L. Huson at telephone number 703-557-3618.

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